

## SOVIET DIVIDED ON PEACE PLAN

**Bolsheviks Want to Raise Red  
Flag in Warsaw Before  
Quitting.**

**IGNORE ALLIED OFFERS**

**Factions Dispute Chance to  
Spread Propaganda as  
Armies Progress.**

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PARIS, July 17.—A serious division exists among the Soviet leaders regarding the Polish peace proposals. The new reaching here is that Maxim Litvinoff, whom Premier Lloyd George barred from England, has placed himself at the head of a strong Communist group, which is demanding the rejection of any overtures until the Red army has reached Warsaw and emancipated the Polish proletariat, which it represents as being ready to establish a Soviet republic as soon as assistance arrives from abroad. Soviet emissaries to Berlin and M. Boukharine are with Litvinoff and Trotsky. And this is making the Red peril loom very seriously in the French mind, intensifying the criticism of Premier Lloyd George's Polish peace proposals. It is believed here, too, that Premier Millerand gave his reluctant consent to these proposals, preferring to give munitions and other aid to Poland. It is no secret that at Spa the Italians were again for immediate recognition of the Soviet republic, which enabled Premier Lloyd George to take the middle course. Now the French press is emphasizing the division among the Soviet leaders and the aims of the Litvinoff faction to show that any acceptance by Lenin of the armistice proposals may not be effective.

A special despatch to the Echo de Paris from Stockholm quotes the Pravda of Moscow, organ of the Litvinoff faction, as saying that by autumn the Polish army would be completely annihilated. "The Polish army's defeat should unleash a proletarian revolution," it says, "permitting us to unfurl the red flag in Warsaw."

Another despatch gives an order just issued by the Soviet high command for organizing the Soviet Black Sea fleet as necessary for securing States on the Oriental side. "Then only can we deal a mortal blow to British imperialism and consolidate the Bolshevik movement in Turkey, Georgia, Armenia and Persia," it says. An intercepted radio from Moscow quotes Lenin as saying in an interview: "If Great Britain thinks she can dupe us she is deceived. The Russians are cold diplomats and will give paper for paper and reality for reality." Lenin added that if France continued to sustain Poland she would have to add to her Russian losses those of the Polish debt.

LONDON, July 17.—A gain of ground by the Bolsheviks against the Poles along the line between Vilna and Minsk is reported in Friday's official statement from Moscow, received by wireless today. The statement says: "West of Smorgon, after fierce fighting, we occupied the village of Soly (forty miles southeast of Vilna)."

"In the direction of Baranovitchi we occupied a number of villages, thirty-three miles southwest of Minsk."

WARSAW, July 17.—Polish detachments, after obstinate street fighting, have been obliged to evacuate Vilna under enemy pressure, according to an official statement issued here. Occupation of Vilna by Russian Bolsheviks was reported from London Thursday night, the information having been received there in a despatch from Kovno. It was said the city was taken by Soviet forces on Wednesday afternoon.

Sergeant William Cook of Fay, Okla., attached to the American typhus expedition to Poland, is reported missing since the battle between the Poles and the Bolsheviks in the vicinity of Minsk. The disinfecting train with which Cook was working was captured by the Soviet forces, according to the last carload of refugees leaving Minsk. Cook refused to leave, telling the refugees he would remain with the train in the hope of getting it out in safety. The Bolsheviks arrived a little later.

Capt. Trever Sweet of Boston, assistant Military Attaché at the American Legation here, was fired on by a squad of Bolshevik cavalry near Vilna this week, but escaped without injury.

### ITALY DEMANDS JUGO-SLAV AMEND

**Latter Government Also  
Wants Satisfaction.**

LONDON, July 17.—The Italian Government has demanded satisfaction from the Jugo-Slav Government for the incident at Spalato in which an Italian warship off that port was attacked, according to official information received here today.

On the other hand, the Jugo-Slav Government has demanded satisfaction from Italy for the incident at Trieste on July 14, when the Jugo-Slav Club was raided and burned.

Yankee and Polla Celebrate.

PARIS, July 17.—The banquet given at the Interallied Club by the Knights of Columbus last evening assumed the proportions of a great Franco-American demonstration, says the Matin. In the absence of Marshal Poch, who was summoned to Spa early in the week, Gen. Mangin presided. Jules J. Jusserand, French Ambassador at Washington, and Myron T. Herrick, former United States Ambassador to France, spoke.

### REPORT BELA KUN ESCAPES.

**Other Communist Leaders Flee  
Train at Oderburg.**

BERLIN, July 17.—Bela Kun, former Hungarian Communist dictator, and other Communists who were being transported from Vienna to Russia by way of Germany, escaped from the train on the way to Germany near Oderburg, a frontier station on the Silesian-Czechoslovak border, according to a Brest despatch to the Berliner Zeitung today.

VIENNA, July 16.—A telegram from the frontier station of Oderburg says that Bela Kun and other Communists, who left here Thursday night for Russia by way of Germany, were not aboard the train when it passed Oderburg. They had either escaped or were kidnapped, the telegram adds.

Helsingfors Parley Interrupted.

PARIS, July 17.—The peace negotiations at Helsingfors between the representatives of Finland and Soviet Russia have been interrupted, according to a despatch from the Finnish capital today. The newspapers of Finland, the despatch says, are incensed at the delay in reaching an agreement.

### 100 LOOT MAIL TRAIN: KIDNAP ENGINE CREW

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Are Reported in Ireland.**

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The south Ulster mail train, from Dundalk to Enniskillen, also was stopped today by a band of armed men. The holdup occurred in Inishkeen village. The engine driver and the fireman were kidnapped. The passengers remained sitting in the train, awaiting substitutes for the captured employees.

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